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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF  
MOUNT WASHINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

1932

## TOWN OFFICERS

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### SELECTMEN

Gilbert Isaacson

Irving Whitbeck

Howard Porter

### CLERK and TREASURER

William A. Hunt

### ASSESSORS

\* Gilbert Isaacson

Russell Whitbeck

Lewis Houghtaling

### CONSTABLE

Howard Porter

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Howard Porter

William A. Hunt

Lewis Houghtaling

### ROAD COMMISSIONER

Gilbert Isaacson

### AUDITOR

George T. Hamilton

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Press of Peter Hagen  
Great Barrington  
Mass

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

### Chapter 81—

New England Metal Culvert Co.	\$ 19.40
Charles May, Gravel	27.30
Peirson Hardware Co., Tools	17.19
John Keating, Tools	2.82
Russell Whitbeck, Gravel	1.50
Northrop Camp, Gravel	13.95
Town Tractor	329.00
Mervin Whitbeck, labor	501.95
Edwin Houghtaling, labor	243.89
Irving Whitbeck, labor	276.50
Ezra Whitbeck, labor	71.79
Russell Whitbeck, labor	72.20
Peter Osman, labor	49.00
Percy M. Weaver, labor	31.50
Gilbert Isaacson, labor	364.50
Norman Melius, labor	477.50
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	\$ 2,499.99

### Chapter 90—

New England Culvert Co.	\$ 158.57
Hugh Coleman, drill	36.00
Peirson Hardware, dynamite	30.00
John Keating, nails	2.50
Edwin Baker, cement	9.75
Northrop Camp, gravel and stone	70.00
Charles May, gravel	3.00
Edwin Houghtaling, labor	330.99
Gilbert Isaacson, labor	360.63
Irving Whitbeck, labor	290.05
Ezra Whitbeck, labor	183.54
Russell Whitbeck, labor	179.38
Peter Osman, labor	265.29
Mervin Whitbeck, labor	497.99
Norman Melius, labor	514.06
Percy M. Weaver, labor	68.25
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	\$ 3,000.00

### Care of Cemeteries—

Russell Whitbeck	\$ 15.00
Bond for Town Officers	\$ 25.00

**Railing and Bridges—**

Roy Patterson, nails	\$ 1.20
New England Metal Culvert Co., pipe	98.56
Edwin Baker, plank	44.75
Ezra Whitbeck, labor	12.00
Russell Whitbeck, labor	13.00
Edwin Houghtaling, labor	17.50
Irving Whitbeck, labor	18.00
Norman Melius, labor	29.13
Mervin Whitbeck, labor	32.63
Gilbert Isaacson, labor	19.00
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	\$ 285.77

**Snow Fence—**

Edwin Baker, wire	\$ 6.55
Ezra Whitbeck, labor	7.00
Russell Whitbeck, labor	7.00
Edwin Houghtaling, labor	15.50
Irving Whitbeck, labor	11.38
Norman Melius, labor	16.13
Mervin Whitbeck, labor	24.38
Gilbert Isaacson, labor	12.25
Percy Weaver, labor	9.63
Peter Osman, labor	9.63
New England Metal Culvert Co.	122.50
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	\$ 241.95

**Snow Removal—**

Ezra Whitbeck, labor	\$ 8.00
Russell Whitbeck, labor	8.75
Edwin Houghtaling, labor	20.00
Irving Whitbeck, labor	18.00
Norman Melius, labor	27.50
Mervin Whitbeck, labor	27.00
Gilbert Isaacson, labor	18.00
Percy Weaver, labor	7.50
Peter Miles, labor	4.50
Earl VanDeusen, labor	6.00
Howard Porter, labor	24.75
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	\$ 170.00

**Snow Plow—**

Edwin Baker, plank	\$ 8.70
John Keating, bolts and nails	5.63
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	\$ 14.33

**Winter Rutting—**

Gilbert Isaacson, labor	\$ 12.00
Norman Melius, labor	12.00
Town Tractor	42.00
Howard Porter, labor and gas	10.00
Earl VanDeusen, labor and gas	16.70
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	\$ 92.70

**Emergency Account—**

Wright & Frein, Insurance	\$ 49.40
Hobbs & Waaren, Blank for Assessors	9.42
Peter Hagen, Printing	67.70
Howard Porter, Stock Inspector	10.00
Howard Porter, Tax Sale	15.50
Davol Printing House, Printing	4.40
M. B. Tyler, Blade for Road Machine	8.00
Carter Ink Co., Ink	.97
Gilbert Isaacson, Freight	1.89
Frank J. Brothers, Attorney	11.70
Gilbert Isaacson, Postage	2.50
Peter Hagen, Printing	4.25
William Hunt, Town Officers sworn and Recording	7.25
William Hunt, Paper, Stamps and Envelopes	16.48
Howard Porter, yard for pound	1.00
William Hunt, sealing pump	.60
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	\$ 211.06

**Town Hall—**

Material	\$ 84.87
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**Town Officers—**

Howard Porter, Tax Collector, 1931	\$ 100.00
George Hamilton, Auditor, 1931	10.00
Russell Whitbeck, Assessor	40.00
Lewis Houghtaling, Assessor	37.50
Gilbert Isaacson, Assessor	40.00
Gilbert Isaacson, Selectman	50.00

Howard Porter, Selectman	\$ 40.00
Irving Whitbeck, Selectman	40.00
William Hunt, Clerk	75.00
William Hunt, Treasurer	75.00
William Hunt, School Committee	10.00
Howard Porter, Constable	17.75
Howard Porter, School Committee	10.00
Howard Porter, Fire Warden	5.00
Lewis Houghtaling, Meat Inspector	4.00
Lewis Houghtaling, School Committee	10.00
H. B. McLain, Ballot Clerk	1.25
George Hamilton, Ballot Clerk	1.25
Irving Whitbeck, Ballot Clerk	1.25
Norman Melius, Ballot Clerk	1.25
Mary Porter, Ballot Clerk	1.25
Russell Whitbeck, Ballot Clerk	1.25
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	\$ 571.75

#### Total Orders Drawn on Treasurer—

Chapter 81	\$ 2,499.99
Chapter 90	3000.00
Bridges and Railing	285.77
Bonds	25.00
Town Officers	571.75
Tractor Funds	346.89
Emergency Account	211.06
Snow Fence	241.95
Snow Plow	14.33
Winter Rutting	92.70
Snow Removal	170.00
Cemeteries	15.00
Town Hall Material	84.87
State Tax	292.50
County Tax	514.47
State Auditing	108.36
Soldiers Exemption	1.17
State Park	.24
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	\$ 8476.05

#### Cemeteries Account—

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Expense	15.00
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Balance	\$ 85.00

#### Tractor Funds—

Balance 1931	\$ 1,042.40
Received Chapter 81	329.00
Winter Rutting	42.00
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Balance	\$ 1,413.40
Expense	346.89
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Balance 1932	\$ 1,066.51

#### Receipts and Cash on Hand—

Balance in Treasury December 31, 1931	\$ 3,474.32
Collector Certificate	1,656.49
Rebate on Stock Inspector	5.00
Chapter 81	1,999.94
Chapter 90	2500.00
Income Tax	363.00
Corporation Tax	11.78
Loss on Tax	81.68
Gas License	1.00
Tax Offset	1,000.00
Interest on Taxes	25.40
Interest on Check Account	90.56
Excise Tax	204.87
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Total Receipts	\$ 11,414.04
Total Expenses	8,476.05
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Balance in Treasury Dec. 31, 1932	\$ 2,937.99

Respectfully Submitted,

GILBERT ISAACSON

HOWARD PORTER

IRVING WHITBECK

Selectmen of Mt. Washington

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## TREASURERS REPORT

W. A. Hunt, Treasurer

### Receipts—

Balance in Treasury Jan. 1, 1932	\$ 8,998.54
Rec'd Tax Collector 1931 Taxes	692.58
Rec'd Tax Collector 1932 Taxes	3,307.30
Rec'd Tax Collector 1931 Taxes Excise	44.69
Rec'd Tax Collector 1932 Taxes Excise	207.09
Rec'd Tax Collector 1932 Old Age Assistance	23.00
Rec'd County Treasurer Refund Dog Tax	27.15
Rec'd County Treasurer, Falls Road	1000.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, Mass. School Part II	813.83
Rec'd State Treasurer, Heavy Tax Offsett	1000.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, Stock Inspection	5.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, Loss of Taxes	81.68
Rec'd State Treasurer, Falls Road	1500.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, Income Tax	363.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	11.78
Rec'd Tax Collector, Interest on Taxes	25.40
Rec'd W. A. Hunt, Gas License	1.00
Rec'd Sealer Weights and Measures, W. A. Hunt	.60
Rec'd State Treasurer, Transportation of High School	364.00
Rec'd State Treasurer, School Superintendent	192.46
Rec'd Tractor Funds, Chapter 81	329.00
Rec'd Tractor Funds, Winter Rutting	42.00
Rec'd Scott Foresman, over payment school supplies	2.19
Rec'd Interest Bank Account	90.56
Rec'd State Treasurer, Chapter 81	1999.94
Rec'd State Treasurer, Bal. as per Statement	57.41
Rec'd State Treasurer, School Part I	100.00
	<u>\$ 21,280.20</u>

### Expenditures—

Paid Orders Roads Chapter 81	\$ 2,499.99
" " Roads Chapter 90	3,000.00
" " School Pay Rolls	3,312.99
" " Town Officers	571.75
" " Tractor Funds	346.89
" " Snow Fence	241.95
" " Snow Removal	170.00
" " Bridges and Rails	285.77

Paid Orders Emergency Account	\$ 211.06
" " Care Cemeteries	15.00
" " State Tax	292.50
" " County Tax	514.47
" " Veterans Exemption	1.17
" " State Parks and Reservations	.24
" " Town Officers Bond	25.00
" " Old Age Assistance Tax	23.00
" " Margaret Scoville, Excise Rebate	5.98
" " Edwin Houghtaling, " "	5.38
" " Howard Porter " "	3.59
" " Winter Rutting	92.70
" " Towh Hall Material	84.87
" " Snow Plow	14.33
" " Auditing Town Accounts (State)	108.36
	<u>\$ 11,826.99</u>

Total Receipts	\$ 21,280.20
Total Expenditures	11,826.99
Balance January 1, 1933	<u>\$ 9,453.21</u>

### Ministerial Fund—

Deposit Jan. 1, 1932	\$ 1,416.00
Interest 1 Year	57.18
	<u>\$ 1473.18</u>
Balance January 1, 1933	

### School Fund—

Deposit January 1, 1932	\$ 134.72
Interest 1 Year	5.44
	<u>\$ 140.16</u>
Balance January 1, 1933	

Total Balance in Great Barrington Savings Bank	
January 1, 1933	\$ 1,613.34

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

W. A. Hunt, Town Clerk

### Dogs Registered in 1932—

22 at \$2.00 each	\$ 44.00
3 at \$5.00 each	15.00
	<u>\$ 59.00</u>
25 fees at 20 cents each	5.00
Amount Paid County Treasurer	<u>\$ 54.00</u>

### List of Appropriations—

Falls Road	\$ 500.00
Chapter 81	500.00
Winter Rutting	300.00
Public Welfare	300.00
Schools	2005.62
Snow Removal	500.00
Bridges and Rails	500.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Emergency Account	500.00
Library	15.00
Town Officers	650.00
Bond	25.00
Snow Fence	350.00
Snow Plow	75.00
Town Hall Repairs and Material	100.00
	<u>\$ 6,420.62</u>
Voted Reimbursements from State to Schools	\$1,514.38

Births Recorded in 1932	None
Deaths Recorded in 1932	Two (non Resident)
Marriages Recorded in 1932	One
23 Town Officers Sworn	

### Number of Registered Voters—

22 Male  
18 Women

### Hunting Licenses Issued 1932—

18 Resident Citizen Sporting at \$2.75 each	\$ 49.50
6 Non Resident Citizen Sporting N. Y. \$26.50 each	159.00
1 Non Resident Citizen Sporting New Jersey \$10.50	10.50
1 Non Resident Citizen Sporting Ohio \$18.50	18.50
8 Non Resident Citizens Fishing N. Y. \$5.50	44.00
1 Duplicate License	.50
1 Resident Sporting, Free Over 70 Years Old	.00
	<u>\$ 282.00</u>
34 fees at .25 cents each	8.50
Amount Paid Fish and Game	<u>\$273.50</u>

### ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Real Estate Valuation	\$ 184,672 00	187667
Personal	21,163.00	19250
Polls	23	24
Tax Rate 1932, \$17.50 on \$1000.00		2400
Number of Fowls	68	99
Number of Swine	1	none
Number of Cattle Neat	6	12
Number of Sheep	68	65
Number of Cows	24	27
Number of Horses	13	13
Number of Acres	12,623	12623
Number of Dwelling Houses	84	70
Number of Motor Vehicles	45	45

Respectfully Submitted,

GILBERT ISAACSON

RUSSELL WHITBECK

LEWIS HOUGHTALING

Assessors of Mt. Washington

### TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

H. Porter, Collector

Warrant for 1931	\$ 5682.95
Payments to Treasurer 1931	<u>4957.23</u>
Balance to collect January 1, 1932	\$ 725.72
Payments to Treasurer	<u>692.58</u>
	\$ 33.14
To be rebated	<u>19.80</u>
Balance to be collected January 1, 1933	\$ 13.34

### TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

W. A. Hunt, Collector

Warrants for 1932 Taxes	\$ 3,662.11
Payments to Treasurer	<u>3,307.30</u>
	\$ 354.81
Less error in Commitment Book	<u>.03</u>
Amount to be collected January 1, 1933	\$ 354.78

### Excise Taxes—

Warrant for 1931	\$ 263.47
Payments to Treasurer	218.78
To be collected January 1, 1932	\$ 44.69
Payments to Treasurer	44.69
Warrants for 1932 Excise Taxes	
May 5	\$ 108.31
June 13	28.52
August 31	55.74
December 16	27.25
	\$ 219.82
Payments to Treasurer	207.09
Amount to be collected January 1, 1933	\$ 12.73

### Old Age Assistance Tax—

August 3, Warrant	\$ 23.00
Payments to Treasurer	23.00

### THE LIBRARY REPORT

The Library Committee reports no new books purchased in 1932. A gift of twenty Juvenile books was received from the State in April and a reference book containing many colored bird plates, also a gift from the State. These are at the South School house. There was no money used from the \$15 appropriation.

Respectfully Submitted,

MRS. W. A. HUNT

MRS. G. T. HAMILTON

MRS. P. M. WEAVER

### TOWN HALL REPORT

W. A. Hunt, Town Hall Committee

Number of times rented None

### Expense—

For Material \$ 84.87

We have done very little of repairs, other work had to come first.

### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

W. A. Hunt

1 Gasolene Pump Tested and Sealed \$.60

### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined all items and sum totals of the accounts of the Town Treasure, Clerk and Collector of Taxes and of the School Superintendent, checking all items and totals with orders issued by the Chairman of Selectmen. In addition all accounts were checked with bank balances and vouchers. I find these accounts of the Town to be correct in every respect.

Respectfully Submitted,

GEORGE T. HAMILTON

Town Auditor



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## COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Mt. Washington

William Hunt, Chairman, 1933 Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
Lewis Houghtaling, Secretary Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
Howard Porter Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
Charles L. Stephenson, Recording Secretary Sheffield

### **Superintendent**

Charles L. Stephenson, Sheffield, Mass.  
Tel: Office 97—Residence 127-3

### **Attendance Officer**

Howard Porter

### **School Physican**

So. Berkshire Health Unit

### **School Nurse**

So. Berkshire Health Unit

### **School Calendar**

1933

### **Winter Term**

January 3—February 17

### **Spring Term**

April 17—June 16

### **Summer Term**

July 10—September 8

### **Fall Term**

September 18—December 22

### **School Holidays**

County Teachers' Convention

Great Barrington Fair

All Legal Holidays

When a Legal Holiday falls on Sunday, the following day  
is observed.

School closes at noon, Friday, December 22, 1933.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Mount Washington

The expenditures incurred by the School Department; a statement of various reimbursements; together with the budget for 1933 are herewith submitted.

It seems advisable, owing to the increase in attendance the coming year, to open the North School. We trust the voters will act favorably on this suggestion.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. A. HUNT

HOWARD PORTER

LEWIS HOUGHTALING

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the citizens of Mount Washington  
I herewith submit my third annual report.

The work in the school continues to be of the same high standard as we have been very fortunate in securing good teachers. Those pupils who have graduated and are attending High School in Great Barrington and Sheffield are making an excellent record.

In compiling the budget for next year, we have given no raises in salary, and I have voluntarily taken a cut; all other items on the budget have been reduced as low as possible in the interest of economy.

February 1st marks the beginning of my second term as your Superintendent and I take this opportunity to thank you all for our very pleasant relations during the past three years.

Respectfully Submitted,

CHARLES L. STEPHENSON.

Appropriation	\$ 3,520.00
Dog Fund	27.15
Total	\$ 3,547.15
Expenditures	3,312.99
Balance, January 1	234.16

## Expenditures—

	High	Elem.	Totals
Teachers' Salaries		\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00
Superintendent's Salary		314.94	314.94
Superintendent's Expense		48.64	48.64
Text-books		6.59	6.59
Supplies		14.40	14.40
Janitors and Cleaning		21.00	21.00
Fuel		48.00	48.00
Repairs		16.47	16.47
Transportation	\$ 460.80	870.00	1,330.80
Tuition	504.40		504.40
General Expense		7.75	7.75
Health		50.00	50.00
Total	\$965.20	\$2,347.79	\$3,312.99

## Expenditures Classified—

	High	Elem.	Total
Teachers:			
Helen Pellissier		\$380.00	\$380.00
Anna Gilligan		570.00	570.00
		\$950.00	\$950.00

## Superintendence—

Chas. L. Stephenson			
Salary		\$314.94	\$314.94
Expenses		48.64	48.64
		\$363.58	\$363.58

## Text Books—

Ginn & Company	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.59
Scott, Foresman Co.	2.00	2.00
	\$6.59	\$6.59

## Supplies—

A. Lincoln Terry	\$6.75	\$6.75
J. L. Hammett Co.	7.65	7.65
	\$14.40	\$14.40

## Janitors and Cleaning—

W. A. Hunt	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Peter Osman	16.00	16.00
	\$21.00	\$21.00

## Fuel—

Russell Whitbeck	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.00
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	High	Elem.	Total
<b>Repairs—</b>			
W. A. Hunt		\$16.47	\$16.47
<b>Transportation—</b>			
Edwin Houghtaling		\$870.00	\$870.00
William Hunt	\$138.40		138.40
Elsie Hunt	84.80		84.80
Hazel Porter	133.60		133.60
Barbara VanDeusen	50.40		50.40
Nellie Hunt	53.60		53.60
	<u>\$460.80</u>	<u>\$870.00</u>	<u>\$1,330.80</u>

**General Expense—**

Wright & Potter		.62	
Sun Printing Co.		3.65	
The Berkshire Courier		1.98	
W. A. Hunt		1.50	
		<u>\$7.75</u>	<u>\$7.75</u>

**Tuition—**

Town of Sheffield	\$280.00		
Town of Great Barrington	224.40		
	<u>\$504.00</u>		<u>\$504.00</u>

**Health—**

Visiting Nurse Association		\$50.00	\$50.00
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**Enrollment of Pupils of Mount Washington by  
Age and Grade—**

Boys	Grade	Age						Total
		6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	1	1						1
	2		1					1
Girls	3			1				1
	4				1			1
	5			1	1			2
	6					2		2
Boys and Girls		1	1	2	4			8

**Attending High School—**

Boys--1--Sheffield  
Girls--1--Sheffield  
Girls--2--Great Barrington

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM HUNT, Chairman

LEWIS HOUGHTALING, Sec'y.

HOWARD PORTER

**We recommend the following Budget for 1933—**

General Administration	\$ 10.00
Supt. of Schools, Salary and Expense	350.00
Library	
Teachers' Salaries	950.00
Text Books	15.00
Supplies	15.00
Janitors	20.00
Repairs	150.00
Transportation, High	530.00
Transportation, Elementary	900.00
Health	50.00
Tuition, High	430.00
Miscellaneous	10.00
Total	<u>\$ 3,430.00</u>

**Reimbursements—**

General School Fund, Part I	\$ 100.00
General School Fund, Part II	813.83
High School Transportation	364.00
Superintendent of Schools	192.46
Dog Tax	27.15
Refund in Supplies	2.19
Total	<u>\$ 1,499.63</u>

Total Expenses for 1932	\$ 3,312.99
Total Reimbursements for 1932	1,499.63
Cost for Town	1,813.36